

I believe there should be a national list so people can make one call to stop telemarketing calls. There should be no exemptions or loopholes. Personal information other than my phone number should not be published, and should only be taken to the extent required to verify the authenticity of my request. I have asked telemarketers to send me written copies of their do-not-call policy and have never ever received one. I have gotten pre-recorded advertising messages, stating that I have won something and it turns out to be a discount on a satellite system. I have gotten calls about my newspaper subscription even after asking them not to call me anymore. I have caller-ID on my phone but telemarketers never show up on it. Their numbers seem to be always blocked or unknown. I have heard that some telemarketers intentionally use old telephone equipment or operate from places where caller-ID won't work. I also get fax tones on my voice number at two in the morning, more than once. These also have blocked their ID in some way. Don't get me started on junk faxes or calls to my cell phone. I love the idea of a national DNC list and want it to be construed as broadly as possible.